GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services — Forest Department – P.S. – Forest Department – Disciplinary action against Sri G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Forest Range Officer (Retd) formerly FRO, SF Range Parvathipuram, Vizianagaram of P&E Circle, Visakhapatnam - Inquiry finalized and findings received - Provisional decision to impose a penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of (1) one year against the Charged Officer - Show-cause Notice issued – Explanation received – Final Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (SEC.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 26 Dated: 16-03-2016

Read the following:

1. From the Prl. CCF, Lr.Ref.No.29147/2006/K1, Dt.15-07-2013.
2. Govt. Memo.No.5767/For.IV/A1/2013-1, Dt.04-11-2013.
3. From the Prl.CCF,Lr.Ref.No.29147/2006/K1, dt: 13.11.2013.
4. Govt. Memo.No.5767/For.IV/A1/2013, Dated:19-11-2014.
5. From the Prl.CCF,Lr.Ref.No.29147/2006/Vig-2, dt:14.10.2015.
6. Govt. Letter No.5767/For.IV/A1/2013, Dated:16.02.2016.
7. From the Secretary, APPSC, Lr.No.165/DC&C/2/2016, dt.02.03.2016.

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ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad has informed that disciplinary action has been initiated against Sri G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Forest Range Officer (Retd) formerly FRO, SF Range Parvathipuram, Vizianagaram of P&E Circle, Visakhapatnam, and an Article of Charge was issued under Rule 22 of A.P. (CC&A) Rules 1991 vide Ref.No.29147/2006/PXA-3, dt:20-07-2006, on the following count:-

Article:- **'**That he had shown gross negligence in discharging his legitimate duties and shown disobedience to the instructions of the superior officers, and caused loss to Government amounts to a tune of Rs.1,13,837 + Rs.849 = 1,14,686/-`.

2. The Charged Officer has acknowledged the Article of Charge and submitted his explanation on 18-08-2007. Not satisfying with the explanation of the Charged Officer, the Conservator of Forests, Visakhapatnam and the Divisional Forest Officer, Social Forestry, Vizianagaram were appointed as Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer respectively vide Prl.CCF Ref.No.29147/2006/PXA-3(i), dt:22-11-2007.

3. After conducting inquiry, the Inquiring Authority, has furnished the findings concluding that the charges framed against Sri G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Forest Range Officer (Retd) are held proved. The Findings of the Inquiry Officer were communicated to the Charged Officer, through final notice dated:28-08-2009. The charged officer acknowledged the final notice on 25.09.2009 but did not submit his further defense.

4. The Charged Officer retired from service on attaining the age of superannuation on 31-07-2010. Hence, the disciplinary proceedings are continued under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

5. After careful examination of the matter, with reference to the findings of the Inquiry Officer, the remarks of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, and material made available, it is observed that the charges framed against the Charged Officer are held proved and it is provisionally decided to

impose penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of (1) one year from the pensionary benefits of Sri G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Forest Range Officer (Retd), under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

6. Accordingly a Show-Cause-Notice was issued to the retired officer vide reference 4th read above. The Retired Officer has submitted his explanation to the Show-Cause-Notice through the reference 5th read above in which he has agreed to the punishment.

7. Government, after careful examination of the matter hereby order to impose penalty of 5% cut in pension for a period of (1) one year from the pensionary benefits of Sri G. Mallikarjuna Rao, Forest Range Officer (Retd), under rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Hyderabad is directed to take action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASHWINI KUMAR PARIDA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The Individual (through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests).

Copy to:
The Accountant General (A&E) A.P., Hyderabad.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad, A.P.
The Prl.Secretary, A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad
(with ref. to Lr.No.165/DC&C/2/2016, dt.02.03.2016).
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER